

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Masahiro FUSHIMI, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/549,813

Group Art Unit: 2832

Confirmation No.: 1456

Examiner: Ramon M. Barrera

Filed: September 19, 2005

For: CIRCUIT BREAKER

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98**

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) form and/or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem material to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(i), the undersigned is not submitting a copy of the cited U.S. '480 patent document.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after either a Final Office Action, Notice of Allowance, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application (whichever is earlier), but before payment of the Issue Fee, and therefore Applicant is authorizing the fee of \$180.00 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) to be charged to Deposit Account No.

19-4880 via EFS Payment Screen. Applicant is also submitting a Statement Under  
37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c).

A copy of the Chinese Office Action dated January 23, 2008 is attached hereto.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such  
document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not  
waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any  
listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

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The undersigned hereby states, upon information and belief:

That each item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement filed concurrently herewith was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of said Information Disclosure Statement.

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